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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether after successfully inducting of IL-78 mid air refueling aircraft, IAF has now trained its sights firmly on another set of potent force multipliers, the AWACS to bolster its war waging capabilities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which AWACS aircraft would be inducted?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (c): Government of India have concluded a contract on 5th March 2004 for procurement of Airborne Warning And Control System (AWACS) aircraft. As per the contract, the delivery of the AWACS aircraft is expected between December, 2007 and March, 2009.